

Town of Hartland
Selectboard Meeting
January 20th, 2026

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Selectboard Members present in-person: Phil Hobbie, Chair, Thomas Kennedy, Vice-Chair, Clyde Jenne, Jim Rielly, and Trace Tancreti.

Others present in person: John Broker-Campbell, Martin Dole, and Sherry Clarke.

Others present via Zoom: Janet Smith, Sarah Bruce, Curt Peterson, Helen Esmond, Chuck Fenton, Andrea Ambrose and Dan Jerman.

Present from CATV: Rayce Gilbert

The Hartland Selectboard Meeting was called to order by Phil Hobbie, Chair, to act on the warned agenda items.

- I. **Selectboard's Minutes and Orders:** There was discussion before orders were approved through today, January 20th.
- II. **Adjustment to Agenda:** None
- III. **Public Comments:** None
- IV. **Old Business:**
 1. **Town Meeting Articles:** There was discussion of the article relating to The North Hartland School. There was discussion of demolition versus selling. Andrea Ambros made comments regarding demolition. Jim made a motion that we choose Article 5 that puts before the town demolishing the Hartland school building for up to \$50,000. Trace seconded the motion. All voted in favor, one abstained. Jim made a motion that we approve the warning for the town meeting as discussed with the correction of the word the in article 5. Tom seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
 2. **Town Plan Review:** The review of The Town Plan included discussion regarding typos and clarification, substantive policy changes as it relates to public input, public comments and plans going forward on review by chapters.
 3. **Capital Plan Overview:** There was discussion of Capital Planning to include Transportation and Bridges, Town Buildings such as Damon Hall, the Recreation Center and the Four Corners Building and Equipment Replacement.
- V. **New Business:**

1. **Town Accounting Software Update:** John gave information, noting currently the town utilizes NEMRC's services for our Town Accounting software. There was discussion of NEMRC's costs comparative to other Software services. There are initial costs to switch, and most services are more expensive than NEMRC. Additionally, the town uses NEMRC for our Grand List software.
 2. **Three Corners Market Liquor License:** John gave information, noting that these are the same as the previous year from Three Corner's Market. Tom made a motion to accept the two Liquor Licenses for Three Corner's Market LLC. Clyde seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- VI. Town Manager Update:** John gave the update, noting that Valley Artisan is going to replace the Pressure Tank at the Library. We had a nice post-Holiday get together at Skunk Hollow. Three Corner's Lights are scheduled for February 9th. It will be a three-day installation, and we will receive updates for any delays. The transition at Four corners with Windsor Childhood Education is underway. The second meeting in February will be on Tuesday the 17th as Monday is a holiday. There was discussion of the FY2027 budget and costs of services. John gave information regarding Two Factor Authentication.
- VII. Correspondence:** Correspondence from Martin Bratz ins regards to work done by Green Mountain Power. John gave background information.

Minutes taken and submitted by Cheyenne Latimer.